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In re the Application of: **Takashi NAKAMURA et al.**

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For: **BEARING STRUCTURE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
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**GROUP ART UNIT 3682**

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May 16, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **February 26, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 as follows:

1. **(Twice Amended)** A bearing structure, comprising:  
  
an inner ring;  
  
an outer ring coaxially disposed on the outer periphery of said inner ring;  
  
a rolling element rollably sandwiched between said inner ring and said outer ring;